



West Lake Update

June 21, 2022

EPA Appoints New Community Liaison

EPA Region 7 has announced the appointment of an interim liaison for the Bridgeton community, as the West Lake Landfill Superfund Site continues its progress through the Remedial Design phase.

Beginning today, Jessica Evans will serve as the acting community involvement project manager for the site. Evans lives in the St. Louis area and is based out of EPA Region 7's field office in Fenton, Missouri.



“Engaging with the entire community in Bridgeton is a top priority for me as regional administrator,” **said EPA Region 7 Administrator Meg McCollister.** “The best way for us to do that is to have a community liaison who is local and more accessible. I know that Jessica Evans will provide continued faithful service to the Bridgeton community.”

Evans assumes the role of community involvement project manager after serving as an EPA on-scene coordinator (OSC) since 2018. In her role as OSC, she has deployed to assist with disaster response operations, responded to oil and chemical emergencies, and is a credentialed facility inspector.

Prior to joining EPA, Evans served for six years in the U.S. Coast Guard as a marine science technician in New Orleans, where her duties included serving as a foreign freight vessel inspector and responding

to pollution incidents. She has a bachelor's degree in environmental science and a master's degree in environmental policy and management from American Military University. Evans currently resides in the St. Louis area with her spouse, son, and four animals. While not working, she enjoys spending time with her family, traveling, cooking, and trail running.

EPA will be recruiting to fill the community involvement project manager position on a longer-term basis. The individual, once hired, will also work in the St. Louis area.

May 31 through June 13 Field Work Update

Here is what has happened in the field at the West Lake Landfill from May 31, 2022 to June 13, 2022.

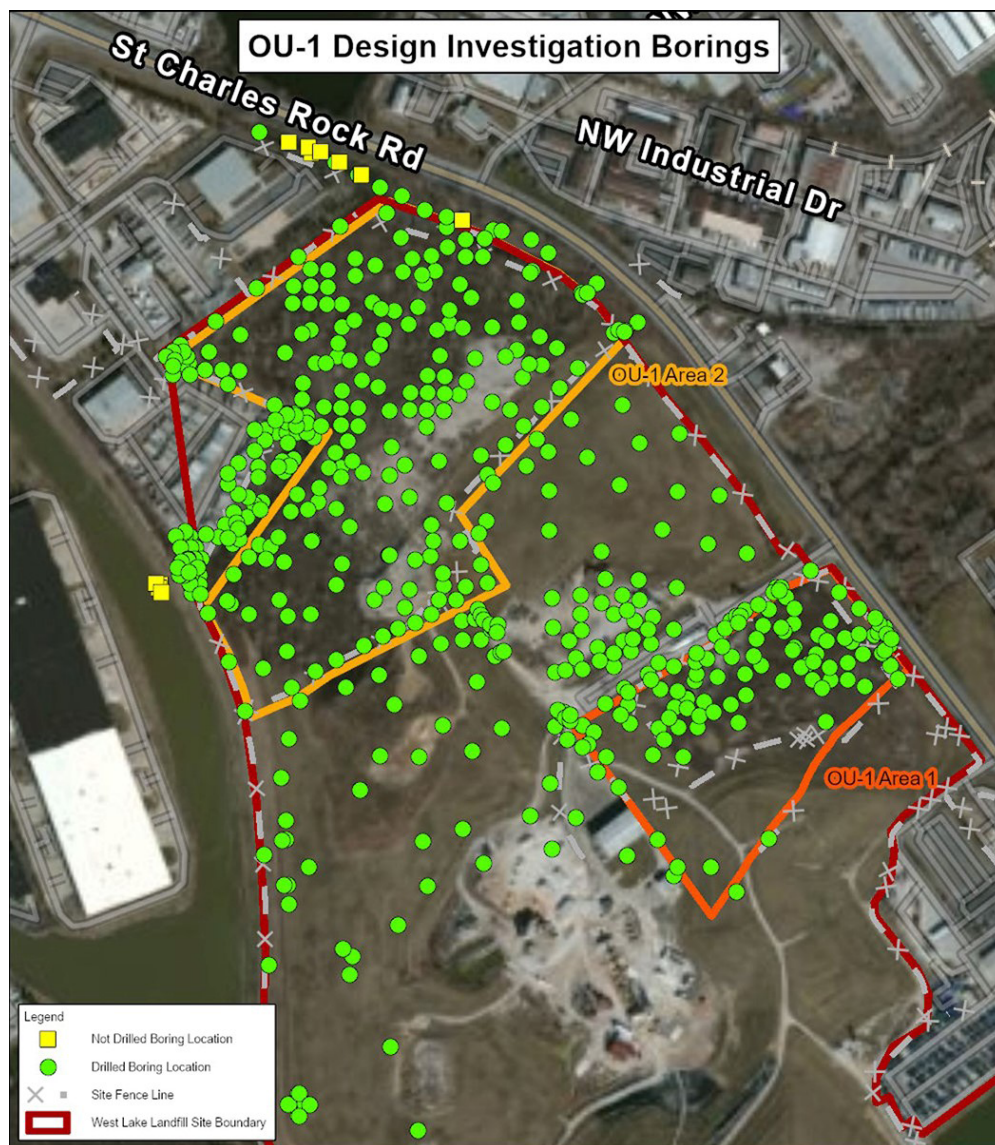
Operable Unit 1 work: From May 31 to June 3rd EPA continued to oversee drilling and sampling activities required in Field Sampling Plan (FSP) Addendum 6, which can be found on the West Lake Landfill Site profile page ([link included below](#)). The OU-1 field crew took a break from June 3 to June 8, 2022, but resumed drilling on June 9, 2022, to complete borings associated with Addendum 6. Between June 9 and 14, 2022, the OU-1 field crew also completed 22 shallow borings proposed and approved by EPA in Addendum 8, and 9 additional step-out borings based on preliminary data results from previous addendum 6 borings. All currently proposed borings for OU-1 have been completed; however, EPA is still awaiting data results to determine if additional borings will be necessary. The figure included with this Facebook update shows the latest drilling status through June 14, 2022. This figure also shows several sediment sample locations that have been proposed in Addendum 7 but have not been completed yet.

The West Lake Landfill Site Dashboard will also be updated to reflect the current field work status.

Operable Unit 3 work: Field activities under the OU-3 Remedial Investigation continued. Field crews worked on installation of the groundwater well sampling systems at off-site well locations and other field work to prepare the wells for future sampling. These well sampling systems allow for collection of groundwater samples at multiple depths below ground surface within one well location. Drilling of the three remaining offsite groundwater monitoring wells in the currently approved work plan and several additional groundwater elevation measuring points resumed on June 13, 2022 and will continue through June 22, 2022.

Chris Jump, Jesse Kidwell, Isabel Villaneda van-Vloten, and Jamie Schwartz with EPA along with our partners at Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Geological Survey provided oversight of field activities during this time period.

Additional information about the West Lake Landfill, including the current status of EPA's progress in the Remedial Design phase, is available on the [West Lake Landfill Dashboard](#) or the [Site Profile Page](#).



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